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In re the Application of:

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For: POINTING POSITION DETECTION DEVICE AND AUTONOMOUS ROBOT

## PETITION TO WITHDRAW PATENT APPLICATION FROM ISSUE AFTER PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE UNDER 37 CFR 1.313

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the above-referenced patent application be withdrawn from issue, and that prosecution be reopened in accordance with the filing of the subject RCE.

Submitted with the RCE is an Information Disclosure Statement, which includes references which just came to the attention of the Applicants, through the citation thereof in a parallel Japanese patent application.

A check in the amount of Nine Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$940.00) (\$130.00 to cover the cost of the petition as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i) and \$810.00 to cover the cost of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith) is enclosed. If any further fee is due to effect grant of this Petition, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge Counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-2222.

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It is respectfully submitted that the requirements of 37 CFR 1.313 are satisfied herewith, withdrawal from issue and reopening of prosecution is respectfully requested

Respectfully submitted,

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